GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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FLUSHING OUT OF TERRORISTS FROM JAMMU AND KASHMIR
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Army has recently utilised the services of Mi-17 helicopters to flush out the terrorists from Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the extent of achievement achieved therefrom;

(d) whether the aforesaid device has ever been used in the past; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (e): Mi-17 helicopters have been in use in J&K for troop deployment and logistic support roles.Recently there has been an increase in the requirement for Mi-17 flights for carrying troops to enhance their mobility.